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What is claimed is:

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- 1. \A method for displaying an Electronic Programming Guide (EPG)
- 2 comprising:
- displaying a three dimensional polyhedron;
- 4 forming a plurality of planes positioned in said polyhedron, said planes
- 5 comprising at least one object, said object comprising at least one interactive
- 6 surface.
 - 2. The method of claim 1, wherein said polyhedron is displayed with an
- 2 isometric view.

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3. The method of claim 1, wherein said EPG is displayed exclusive of three

- 2 dimensional graphics circuitry.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the selection of said object will select a
- 2 program provided on a certain channel at a certain time.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein said object is independent of said
- 2 polyhedron.

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1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein said object represents a certain television

2 program on a certain channel at a certain time.

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7. The method of claim 1, wherein said polyhedron is a cube.

1 8. The method of claim 1, wherein said planes are parallel.

1 9. The method of claim 1, wherein said planes correspond to levels of

2 preference.

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The method of claim 1, wherein said object is a pictogram.

11. The method of claim 7, wherein said cube further comprises three axes.

12. The method of claim 11, wherein said axes correspond to time, channel,

2 and user preference.

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1 13. An Electronic Program Guide (EPG) comprising:

2 a three dimensional polyhedron comprising a plurality of planes,

3 said planes comprising at least one object, and

4 said object representing at least one interactive surface.

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- 14. The EPG of claim 13, wherein said polyhedron is displayed with an
- 2 isometric view.
- 1 15. The EPG of claim 13, wherein said EPG is displayed exclusive of three
- 2 dimensional graphics circuitry.

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- 1 16. The RPG of claim 13, wherein the selection of said object will select a
- 2 program provided on a certain channel at a certain time.

- 1 17. The EPG of claim 13, wherein said object is independent of said
- 2 polyhedron

1 18. The EPG of claim 13, wherein said object represents a certain television

2 program on a certain channel at a certain time.

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19. The EPG of claim 13, wherein said polyhedron is a cube.

- 20. The EPG of claim 13, wherein said planes are parallel.
- 1 21. The EPG of claim 13, wherein said planes correspond to levels of
- 2 preference.

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1 22. The BPG of claim 13, wherein said object is a pictogram.

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- 23. The EPG of claim 19, wherein said cube further comprises three axes.
- 1 24. The EPG of claim 23, wherein said axes correspond to time, channel, and
- 2 user preference.

Asystem for displaying an Electronic Program Guide (EPG) comprising:

2 \quad a memory; and

3 a first unit to display a three dimensional polyhedron; and

4 said first unit to further display a plurality of planes positioned in

5 said polyhedron, said planes comprising at least one object, said object

6 comprising at least one interactive surface.

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- 26. The system of claim 25, wherein said polyhedron is displayed with an isometric view.
- 1 27. The system oxclaim 25, wherein said EPG is displayed exclusive of three
- 2 dimensional graphics circuitry.

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The system of claim 25 wherein the selection of said object will select a

2 program provided on a certain channel at a certain time.

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The system of claim 25, wherein said object is independent of said

- 2 polyhedron
- 1 30. The system of claim 25, wherein said object represents a certain television
- 2 program on a certain channel at a certain time.

31.\ The system of claim 25, wherein said polyhedron is a cube.

- 32. The system of claim 25, wherein said planes are parallel.
- 33. The system of claim 25, wherein said planes correspond to levels of
- 2 preference.

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The system of claim 25, wherein said object is a pictogram.

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- 35. The system of claim 31, wherein said cube further comprises three axes.
- 36. The system of claim 35, wherein said axes correspond to time, channel,
- 2 and user preference.

5400 All 37. \ A machine readable medium having stored thereon sequences of

- instructions which are executable by a processor, and which, when executed by
- 3 the processor, cause the system to perform a method for displaying an Electronic
- Programming Guide (EPG) comprising: 4
- 5 displaying a three dimensional polyhedron; and
- forming a plurality of planes positioned in said polyhedron, said planes 6
- comprising at least one object, said object representing an interactive surface. 7

The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said polyhedron is

- displayed with an isometric view.
- The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said EPG is displayed 39.
- exclusive of three dimensional graphics circuitry.

The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein the selection of said

- 2 object will select a program provided on a certain channel at a certain time.
- The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said object is 1 41.
- independent of said polyhedron. 2
- The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said object represents 42. 1
- a certain television program on a certain channel at a certain time. 2

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The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said polyhedron is a

- 2 cube.
- 1 44. The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said planes are
- 2 parallel.
- 1 45. The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said planes
- 2 correspond to levels of preference.

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- 1 46. The machine readable medium of claim 37, wherein said object is a
- 2 pictogram.

The machine readable medium of claim 43, wherein said cube further comprises three axes.

- 1 48. The machine readable medium of claim 47, wherein said axes correspond
- 2 to time, channel, and user preference.